

Towards a consultation of MO Executives

about our « Science in Society *draft* report

ESF MOF SiS Vienna meeting

Objective: Reinforce recommendations

- SiS is a new view of science policy (3 pillars)
- Our recommendations analyse why, and propose :
 - a realistic view of the current situation
 - concrete ways to the future
- We wonder how to make it easier for MOs to take into account our recommendations
- A consultation of MO executives would permit a fine tuning of recommendations



The core recommendations

- Scientists ask for a shared responsibility
- So Institutions have to declare SiS as a normal activity (to engage)
- If they do, activities:
 - should be organised (planning, funding)
 - should be evaluated (criteria ?)
 - Practices should be exchanged to gain ideas and time

Executives are « key people » for science policy

- Executives are at the cross point between State policy, economic demand, public and scientific activity
- They are just the right people to convince, because they know the real potential and constraints of research
- Change can't really happen without the support of Executives

To consult Executives

- Ask for a critical discussion of the SiS concept (reciprocal/multiway)
- Ask for transformations planned in institutional design to support SiS activities

Ask for ADVICE on our recommendations

How to do that?

- Consultation should concern all ESF members (and not only members of the Forum)
- A questionnaire should be addressed directly to Executives with a very few questions
- Members of the F should have a role in presenting what has been done by the forum to their executives, to facilotate answers
- Guidelines should be established to help the presentation, and to facilitate the collection of answers

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Use of answers

- A summary of answers to be written and discussed by the Forum
- Use of answers:
 - Changes in the Report ?
 - Annex to the Report ?

Time table

- Draft questions during the meeting
- Set up a volunteers group during the meeting
- Report ready by 1st week of December 2011
- Questionnaire for interviews ready by 1st week of December 2011
- Guidelines for interviews ready by 1st week of December 2011
- Each MO sends the questionnaire filled to us by end of February 2012
- Analysis of the questionnaire by end of March 2012
- Input of the results into the report April 2012
- Next Forum workshop May 2012

